

Job Description

Water Quality/Best Management Practices Specialist

Location: Statewide

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The Water Quality/Best Management Practices Specialist resides within the Forest Health and Sustainability Unit and is responsible for promoting and facilitating the use of forestry best management practices by forest harvesting businesses and landowners statewide.

Specific Job Duties:

PLANNING

1. Provides input and guidance to Forest Health and Sustainability Unit Leader regarding water quality and forestry best management practices (BMP) program implementation.
2. Seeks opportunities and partnerships to grow water quality and best management practices (BMP) programs throughout the state.

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION

1. Conducts BMP inspections of logging and other forestry operations.
2. Provides training to harvesters, landowners, partners and staff on BMP monitoring and implementation techniques.
3. Develops and maintains cooperative partnerships with federal and state agencies, industry and other non-government organizations to promote and achieve BMP implementation.
4. Serves as the liaison with TN Department of Environment and Conservation-Division of Water Resources regarding water quality issues and enforcement actions.
5. Serves as the Division's subject matter expert on BMPs, water quality and forest harvesting issues.
6. Facilitates annual statewide BMP compliance surveys.
7. Implements forest industry cost share programs.

Application link can be found on the Tennessee Division of Forestry's Careers page:
<https://www.tn.gov/agriculture/forests/employment-opportunities.html>

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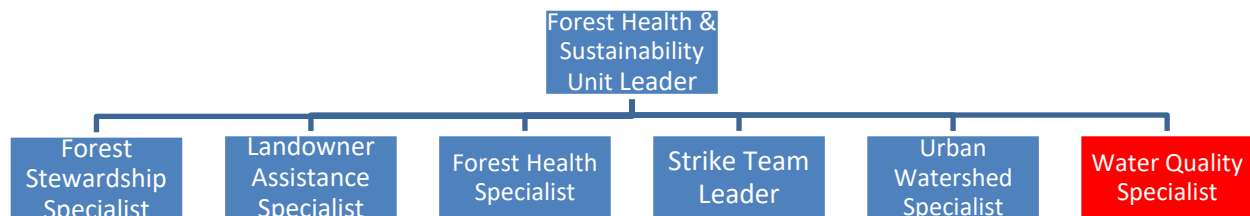
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Organization:



Division Background

The Tennessee Division of Forestry (TDF) celebrated its centennial anniversary in 2014. One of the Division's first missions was to plant trees on eroded and abandoned farm land in the western part of the state. Over the decades, TDF has grown to protect, conserve, and enhance Tennessee's 14 million acres of forest land through forest health protection, rural and urban forest management, wildfire and prescribed fire management, water quality protection, forest business services, state forest management and conservation education. Today, TDF employs over 400 personnel statewide and is well known as the wildfire and forest health experts. The Division resides within the Tennessee Department of Agriculture whose mission is to promote wise uses of Tennessee's agricultural and forest resources, to develop economic opportunities, and to ensure safe and dependable food, fuel, and fiber for all citizens.